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Re: CPNI: CC Docket No. 96-115

Dear Mr. Caton:

Enclosed is a letter to William A. Kehoe III in the above docket. We are submitting two copies of this notice, in accordance with Section 1.1206(a)(1) of the Commission's Rules.

Please stamp and return the provided copy to confirm your receipt. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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Re: CPNI: CC Docket No. 96-115

Dear Mr. Kehoe:

This letter, as requested, forwards copies of documents in AT&T Communications of California v. Pacific Bell, No. C 1691 SBA (N.D. Cal.). (Attachment A)

This case is still pending. The court has entered a preliminary injunction, which is not a decision on the merits. That order has been appealed. Thus, this case currently contains nothing of decisional significance to the Commission in Docket 96-115.

We direct your attention to an October 5, 1996, order of the Western District of Texas which refused to enter a preliminary injunction based on analysis opposite to that of the California case. (Attachment B)

If you have any questions or would like something further, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Gayle Radley Teicher, Dorothy Attwood

ATTACHMENT A

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DEPENDANTS' POINTS AND AUTHORITIES
IN OPPOSITION TO TRO APPLICATION

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 I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

The plaintiffs, in papers filed May 7, 1996, seek a Temporary Restraining Order ("TRO") against defendants Pacific Bell, Pacific Telesis Group, Pacific Bell Extras and Pacific Bell Communications (collectively hereinafter referred to as "Pacific" unless a specific defendant's name is used). This is Pacific's defendants' brief in opposition to the TRO application.

The plaintiffs are seeking to restrain Pacific from using certain telephone customer billing information.

Among other reasons, a TRO may not reasonably issue because:

- (a) Pacific Bell has statutory authorization and it has telephone customer authorization -- in writing -- to use the only information which reasonably could be in issue;
- (b) the plaintiffs completely ignore discussion of dispositive statutory language which authorizes Pacific's activity;
- (c) the telephone customer billing information at issue is not proprietary to the plaintiffs;
- (d) the plaintiffs' declarations largely speculate as to what the true facts are which render the declarations useless, especially for obtaining the drastic relief of a TRO; and -- among other points made below;
- (e) the plaintiffs are very far from having satisfied legal standards for issuance of a TRO.

II. FACTS RELEVANT TO THE TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER APPLICATION¹

Pacific Bell provides local telephone exchange service and multiple other telephony services within parts of California. The plaintiffs provide long distance telephone service as well as other telephony services within California and elsewhere, including to Pacific Bell's local exchange customers. Pacific Telesis Group is Pacific Bell's holding company. Defendants Pacific Bell Extras and Pacific Bell Communications are whollyowned corporate subsidiaries of the holding company.

Recently, Pacific Bell Extras introduced a customer awards program. Subject to certain exceptions and refinements, Pacific Bell Extra's awards program is analogous to airline frequent flyer awards programs. Essentially, pursuant to Pacific Bell Extra's awards program, if a customer's current charges on the Pacific Bell monthly bill exceed \$50.00, Pacific Bell Extras proposes to award the customer 10 bonus points for each dollar above the \$50.00 base.

Pacific Bell's bills include a "bottom line" lump sum total for current charges derived from several smaller amounts charged for a variety of telephony services. The underlying mix of services varies from customer to customer. At a minimum, the lump sum contains a charge for Pacific Bell's rendering of local telephone service. Long distance billing charges and discrete charges for such features as conference calling, voicemail and call-waiting, when used by a particular customer, are

The Declarations Lynne Elizondo and Jan Hewitt filed herewith in support of Pacific's Opposition.

incorporated within the aggregated lump sum dollar figure appearing on bills.

Pacific Bell is not now a long distance provider. However, pursuant to contracts between Pacific Bell and the plaintiff long distance carriers, the plaintiffs' long distance charges and other telephony services to Pacific Bell's customers are included on Pacific Bell's bills. Also, pursuant to the contracts, Pacific Bell buys the accounts receivable from the plaintiff carriers for the long distance and other telephony charges. Thus, before a customer bill is sent out, the long distance and other telephony charges thereon are debts owed to Pacific Bell and only to Pacific Bell.

A direct relationship exists between the described lump sums owed by Pacific Bell's customers and the fledgling bonus points awards program: Pacific Bell proposes to disclose the lump sum information -- not the underlying, discrete sub-amounts, within the defendant pool. Plaintiffs object to that pending transfer of the lump sum figures. They object to many other things as well -- none of which, as shown below, are justified.

III. ARGUMENT

A. The Legal Standard for Temporary Restraining Orders.

The plaintiffs' Memoranda of Points and Authorities are in the nature of trial briefs, not Temporary Restraining Order justification papers. The plaintiffs dedicate most of their legal discussion to arguing the ultimate merits, that is, how Pacific has allegedly violated federal law and abused its contractual relationship with the plaintiffs. Only a few pages

indefinite future is not enough. The harm must be shown to be

imminent. Church v. City of Huntsville, 30 F.3d 1332, 1337 (11th Cir. 1994). Thus, if a trial on the merits is possible before the threatened harm will occur, or if the potential harm can be redressed by a legal or equitable remedy following trial, then a TRO should not issue. Campbell Soup Co. v. ConAgra, Inc., 977 F.2d 86, 91 (3d Cir. 1992); Schwarzer, Tashima & Wagstaffe, CAL. PRAC. GUIDE: FED. CIV. PRO. BEFORE TRIAL (The Rutter Group 1996), §13:55.3, p. 13-16.

There also must be evidence of actual injury to support claims of "irreparable" injury. Speculative losses are insufficient. Big Country Foods, Inc. v. Board of Education, 868 F.2d 1085 (9th Cir. 1989).

Finally, before a TRO may issue, the court must identify the harm which a TRO might cause Pacific and weigh it against the plaintiffs' threatened injury. Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Comm'n. v. NFL, 634 F.2d 1197, 1203 (9th Cir. 1980). If Pacific's likely harm is greater than any injury threatened by Pacific's conduct, the TRO should be denied, absent the "clearest" showing of probable success on the merits. Coffee Dan's, Inc. v. Coffee Don's Charcoal Broiler, 305 F.Supp. 1210, 1216 (N.D. Cal. 1969).

2. "Success on the Merits"

Even assuming the plaintiffs establish irreparable injury, they must still then show a likelihood of success on the merits. Haitian Refugee Center, Inc. v. Christopher, 43 F.3d 1431, 1432 (11th Cir. 1995). The plaintiffs must demonstrate a likelihood of prevailing on any affirmative defense as well as on the plaintiffs' case in chief. Original Appalachian Artworks v.

Topps Chewing Gum, 642 F.Supp. 1031, 1034 (N.D. Ga. 1986).

- B. Pacific Obviously Will Suffer Severe Hardships If a TRO
 Issues. Plaintiffs Will Suffer No Hardships Because Their
 Hardship Arguments Are Based on Misconceptions.
- *Pacific will so obviously be severely damaged if a TRO issues and the awards program comes to a sudden halt. program took many expensive months to plan, organize and launch. The program is several weeks underway. It involves multiple contracts with outside vendors for such services as print and broadcast advertising, mailings, customer call-ins, employees whose workdays are dedicated to the program, promises to customers as to awards availability -- bonus points are already being earned by customers who have signed up -- computer system cycling procedures and related timing issues, among other things. Insofar as Pacific Bell's customers are also the long distance carriers' customers, the awards program does not change the respective relationships. Customers will not have any less reason to make long distance calls on the plaintiffs' facilities, just because Pacific Bell may, proverbially speaking, give them a free toaster for using the telephone.

By contrast, the plaintiffs will not suffer any hardship if a TRO is denied because Pacific is not doing any of the wrongful things of which it is accused. Pacific's declarations -- in contrast to the plaintiffs' speculations (see pages 11 - 13, below) -- make that very clear.

C. The Plaintiffs Are Highly Unlikely to Prevail on the Merits.

Pacific has statutory authorization and the right under the billing contracts for what it is doing or plans to do, as hereafter explained. Thus, for TRO adjudication purposes, there

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is no reasonable basis for inferring the plaintiffs have a strong or other likelihood of prevailing on the merits.

1. Plaintiffs' Briefs Totally Ignore Clearly
Applicable Statutory Provisions which Permit

the Defendants to Proceed.

First, the plaintiffs correctly -- albeit with telling selectivity -- quote Section 222(a) of the 1996 Telecommunications Act [47 U.S.C. §222(a)] to the effect that telecommunications carriers have "a duty to protect the confidentiality of proprietary information of, and relating to, other telecommunications carriers." No one disputes that general proposition. However, the key question in dispute is whose proprietary information is here involved: the customers', Pacific Bell's or the plaintiffs' information?

Indeed, the plaintiffs' quotation truncates the sentence which comprises Section 222(a), leaving out words which show a statutory concern with the privacy rights of customers -- not just the self-interest of carriers. Specifically, the full Section 222(a) provides that:

SEC.222. PRIVACY OF <u>CUSTOMER</u> INFORMATION.

(A) IN GENERAL. — Every telecommunications carrier has a duty to protect the confidentiality of proprietary information of, and relating to, other telecommunications carriers, equipment manufacturers, <u>and customers</u>, including telecommunication carriers reselling telecommunication services provided by a telecommunications carrier. (Emphasis added)

The plaintiffs' gamesmanship as to the text of Section 222(a) -- as though it were somehow enacted just for them -- is symptomatic of their plenary failure to discuss other dispositive subsections of Section 222 -- specifically, Sections 222(c) and

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2. Sections 222(c) and 222(f) of the 1996 Telecommunications Act [47 U.S.C. §222] Expressly Authorize that "with the approval of the customer ..." Telephone Carriers May Use Information Contained Fin Such Customer Telephone Bills for Purposes which Encompass Pacific Bell's Use.

As stated, the information which Pacific Bell Extras intends to use in its awards program appears in Pacific Bell's bills, that is, the lump sum total dollar figure owed to Pacific Bell by the customer for a given billing period. Telecommunications Act Section 222(f)(1)(B) provides that information contained in customers' bills belongs to the That subsection, entitled "Customer Proprietary customers. Network Information" (emphasis added) states, in material part:

- (f) DEFINITIONS. As used in this [§ 222] section:
 - (1) CUSTOMER PROPRIETARY NETWORK INFOR-MATION. The term 'customer proprietary network information' means
 - (B) information contained in the bills pertaining to telephone exchange service or telephone toll service received by a customer of a carrier;

(Emphasis added)

Thus, if -- as stated under oath by Pacific's declarants -- Pacific Bell is using only the lump sum dollar amounts which appear in customer bills, then no violation of the Telecommunications Act is occurring. By dint of Section 222(f), such information clearly belongs to the customers, not to AT&T, MCI or Sprint.

Pacific Bell has obtained and is obtaining the written, signed approvals of interested customers to use their lump sum

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C 96-1691 SBA DEFENDANTS' POINTS AND AUTHORITIES IN OPPOSITION TO TRO APPLICATION 1 billing information for purposes of determining such customers' awards through the awards program. Section 222(c) of the 1996 Act makes it plain that the customer -- indeed, only the customer -- is empowered to give such approval for "Customer Proprietary Network Information". That subsection provides:

(c) CONFIDENTIALITY OF <u>CUSTOMER PROPRIETARY</u> NETWORK INFORMATION. -

PRIVACY REQUIREMENTS FOR TELECOM-MUNICATIONS CARRIERS. - Except as required by law or with the approval of the customer, a telecommunications carrier that receives or obtains customer proprietary network information by virtue of its provision of a telecommunications service shall only use, disclose, or permit access to individually identifiable customer proprietary network information in its provision of (A) the telecommunications service from which such information is derived, or (B) services necessary to, or used in, the provision of such telecommunications service, including the publishing of directories. (Emphasis added)

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Perusal of the title and text of Section 222(c) compels the conclusion that the "Customer Proprietary Network Information" category raises customer privacy rights and concerns -- not those of carriers -- and that the customer alone is empowered to approve a carrier's disclosure of the category of information in issue. Pacific Bell has that approval from the customers who signed up for Pacific Bell Extra's awards program. Thus, at a minimum, the lump sum information can lawfully be used as freely as is consistent with the customers' signed approvals.2

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The issue before the Court is adjudication of a TRO about 27 the awards program. We mention that because the plaintiffs' attempt to make much of the relative broadness of the customer 28 (continued...)

In view of the plain statutory language -- totally ignored in At&T's, MCI's and Sprint's 43 pages of briefing -- the plaintiffs cannot justifiably assert that they own the lump sum billing information which reflects what is owed by the customer to Pacific Bell.

D. The Plaintiffs' Assertions are Factually Incongruous.

Further, the plaintiffs' assertions that they somehow own customer billing information would be frivolous even if Sections 222(c) and 222(f) did not exist. The lump sums owed by the customers are Pacific Bell accounts receivable. Before the customers are billed, Pacific Bell buys the accounts receivable from the long distance carriers pursuant to the contractual billing agreements. At the time of billing, Pacific Bell, and not the long distance carriers, owns the debt evidenced by the lump sum. Thus, it is quite a stretch for the plaintiffs to assert that they have legal control over disclosures of the lump sum information.

In addition, the plaintiff long distance carriers have no knowledge as to what the lump sum figure in Pacific Bell's bills may be. By definition, Pacific Bell itself compiles the lump sum amount in that such billing is the cumulative debt owed by the customer for multiple telephone services -- local calls, long distance calls, call-waiting, service contracts, etc. There

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approvals obtained by Pacific Bell. But the scope of the customer approvals may be safely adjudicated, if ever, on another day in another case or deferred for further discussion when the merits of this case are addressed. The abstract issue of broadness clearly has no place in this TRO proceeding, especially since the use of the lump sum information is the only information at issue in any practical imminent sense.

In fact, it is not possible for anyone to determine the itemization of the lump sum. Therefore, disclosure of the lump sum does not invade the plaintiffs' proprietary information.

1. The Plaintiffs' Declarations and Factual Allegations are Largely Speculations, Suggestions and Guesses About the Facts. Thus, the Declarations are Unfit for TRO Issuance Purposes.

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The plaintiffs argue that the awards program is a means by which Pacific Bell intends to send all of the carriers' billing information to Pacific Bell Extras and other Pacific Bell related companies, including those competing directly with the plaintiffs.

As the accompanying declarations show, the plaintiffs are absolutely wrong about what Pacific is doing with the customer billing information. Simply put, except for the discussed lump sums, Pacific Bell is not disclosing any other customer information to anyone. Pacific does intend to provide the lump sum figures to Pacific Bell-related entities, but such information is not proprietary to the plaintiffs, and therefore disclosure is not violative of either the Telecommunications Act or the Billing Agreements with the plaintiffs.

"[I]t is likely Pacific Bell has already disclosed and/or used proprietary information in violation of the agreement." Bisazza Decl., at 6:11-12; Arnett Decl., at 13:26-14:2.

Similarly, the plaintiffs claim that Pacific's advertisements "imply" that the plaintiffs endorse the awards program. However, the plaintiffs fail to cite any language from the awards advertising materials that mentions any of the plaintiffs. The only remote connection made in the materials is that long distance charges are included. This system is analogous to a credit card company that awards points on total charges. In that situation, no reasonable implication can be made that the specific merchants endorse such a program. Likewise, to strain to find such an implication here is not reasonable.

In sum, a careful review of the plaintiffs' moving papers and supporting declarations shows that the plaintiffs have no idea what practices Pacific is engaged in regarding the awards program disclosures or otherwise. Nowhere do the plaintiffs indicate the <u>basis</u> for their assertions that Pacific proposes to

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disclose anything other than the "lump sum" information.

E. The Plaintiffs' "Public Interest" Assertions for a TRO are Baseless and Arrogant.

The plaintiffs further claim that a TRO is necessary to prevent further harm to consumers, because the awards program advertising materials are misleading. As argued above, there is nothing misleading about the advertising. Further, the disclosure of a consumer's proprietary information only occurs upon release and consent by the customer. As shown, the 1996 Telecommunications Act specifically grants to consumers this right of control. If anything, granting the plaintiffs' application for TRO would undermine such control, thereby harming consumers. To say the least, the plaintiffs' paternalistic attitudes toward the rate paying public are misplaced. customers can decide for themselves whether they want to sign up for Pacific Bell's awards program -- and/or for any of the many promotional awards programs routinely offered by the plaintiffs themselves over the years.

IV. CONCLUSION

Plaintiffs' pursuit of the equitable remedy of a TRO presumes an inadequacy of legal remedies. Ironically, neither a legal nor an equitable remedy is necessary or appropriate. As demonstrated, Pacific is not engaged in any of the wrongful conduct of which plaintiffs are complaining. Pacific is not improperly disclosing the plaintiffs' proprietary information. What Pacific is doing, namely, the disclosure of the lump sum billing amounts, is not violative of either the

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1	Telecommunications Act or the billing agreements with the
2	plaintiffs. Therefore, no legal or equitable relief is
3	justified. The plaintiffs' claims are based on speculation, not
4	facts. Their claimed potential injuries, like a house of cards,
5	is built upon this speculation. The lack of a factual basis
6	brings down their claim of damages.
7	For the foregoing reasons, plaintiffs' application for
8	issuance of a temporary restraining order should be denied.
9	DATED: May 10, 1996
10	Respectfully submitted,
11	PACIFIC TELESIS LEGAL GROUP
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Defendants Pacific Bell, Pacific Telesis Group, Pacific
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hereinafter referred to as "Pacific") have been served with a
Notice and Application for Temporary Restraining Order, filed in
this Court, by AT&T Communications of California, Inc. and MCI
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1 Action"). The issues argued and delineated in the Memorandum of 2 Points and Authorities filed in the AT&T Action are substantially identical to those issues argued and delineated in the Application filed in this matter by Sprint Communications Company, as are the terms of the temporary restraining order sought. 6 The AT&T Action and this matter have not been 7 consolidated. However, in the interest of efficiency and 8 judicial economy, Pacific hereby asserts and incorporates herein 10 | its Opposition to AT&T's and MCI's Application for a Temporary Restraining Order, and all accompanying Declarations in support 11 thereof. DATED: May 10, 1996. 13 14 PACIFIC TELESIS LEGAL GROUP 15 16 17 Attorneys for Defendants PACIFIC BELL, PACIFIC TELESIS 18 GROUP, PACIFIC BELL EXTRAS and PACIFIC BELL COMMUNICATIONS 19 20

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25	I, Jan Hewitt, declare:	•			
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26	1. I am presently employed by Pacific I	Bell ("Pacific Bell")	and, as such, am on loan to its		
27	affiliate, PB Extras ("PB Extras"). N	My position there is	Project Manager. I submit this		
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declaration in support of defendants' (Pacific Bell et al) opposition to AT&T and MCl's (collectively the "Plaintiffs") application for a Temporary Restraining Order. The facts stated herein are true of my personal knowledge, or based on business records kept in the course of regularly conducted business activity at Pacific Bell or PB Extras, respectively, and it is the normal business practice of Pacific Bell or PB Extras, respectively, to make these records. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this declaration, except those matters stated on information and belief, and if called, could and would testify competently to them.

 I came to Pacific Bell in 1985, where I have been for the last eleven years, in various Marketing positions.

My first position was as an Analyst for the Marketing Intelligence Center, a research and information group supporting market strategy, planning and competitive research groups at Pacific Bell. I was promoted to Manager of the Center and developed specialized database services to provide access to both internal and external information sources relevant to telecommunications.

My next assignment in 1989 was in the Market Research group, where I worked on a variety of research projects for the Residence telecommunications market.

From there I moved to the Consumer Marketing group, where I developed market plans for the residential market.

My next assignment in 1991 was to launch a loyalty program for residential customers called "California Gold". I managed the program until it was discontinued in January 1996. In 1994 I took on the responsibility for the development and launch of the Pacific Bell Savings Card, a Co-branded, combined credit and calling card offered to Pacific Bell residence customers that

customers that earns them dollars off their Pacific Bell phone bill. In 1995 I took on project management for the new Pacific Bell Awards program launched in March 1996.

3. In this declaration, I will describe the organization and function of the Pacific Bell Awards ("Awards") program, the program's promotion and enrollment process, the fact that the program does not employ deceptive advertising, and the fact the program is not harmful to the Plaintiffs.

Pacific Bell Awards: Background

- 4. Pacific Bell Awards was launched March 31, 1996 through a television advertisement. The purpose of Awards is to retain Pacific Bell residential customers, to thank them for their loyalty to Pacific Bell, and to provide a vehicle to encourage customers to stay with Pacific Bell in the advent of competitive offerings in the market of local telephone exchange service. Pacific Bell Awards is funded, promoted and administered by Pacific Bell Extras, a whollyowned subsidiary of Pacific Telesis group.
- 5. Any Pacific Bell residential customer is eligible to enroll in the program.
- 6. Enrollment is voluntary and at no cost to the customer. Once enrolled, the customer is awarded 10 points for every dollar each month his or her total Pacific Bell-rendered telephone bill is \$50.00 or more.
- 7. Customers redeem their points to obtain an Awards Certificate reflecting a discount off the price of goods or services offered by a third party program participant ("program participants"). Customers order the Awards Certificate by calling a toll-free 800 number. The Awards Certificates are redeemed directly by the customer (i) physically in person, at the retail location of certain program participants, or (ii) by telephone when ordering goods or services offered by other program participants. To the extent program participants require information